

Anatomical Examinations and Anatomy Licensing (PD2023_44)

Authority for Anatomical Examination – Designated officer (where the donor body is in a hospital and/or forensic facility)

Section 6(2) Anatomy Act 1977 (NSW)

This form is to be used as a guide by body donor programs when developing donor consent forms



Name of deceased: _____

Current location of the deceased: _____

Name of receiving licensed anatomy facility: _____

I am the:

Senior available next of Kin, or Designated officer for a hospital or forensic institution

I certify that:

The above-mentioned deceased had given their written consent to the anatomical examination of their body after death and that consent had not been revoked or objected to by the senior available next of kin.

OR

The above-mentioned deceased had not during their lifetime expressed an objection to an anatomical examination of their body after death and their senior available next of kin has given their consent in writing to the anatomical examination of the deceased. There is no senior available next of kin of the same or higher order in the hierarchy of senior available next of kin who objects to the removal of tissue from the person's body.

I therefore authorise the anatomical examination and release of the deceased according to any terms or conditions placed on the consent by the deceased or senior available next of kin.

Name in block letters: _____

Address: _____

Relationship to the deceased or title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____ (dd/mm/yyyy)

Note: Neither a designated officer or a senior available next of kin (as defined in section 4 of the Anatomy Act 1977 (NSW)) can authorise the anatomical examination of the body of a person when a coroner has jurisdiction to hold an inquest under the Coroners Act 2009 (NSW), unless a Coroner has given consent to the examination.